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Baptist Student Center for N. S. C. Students Dedicated



Dr. G. Kearnie Keegan Dedicates B. S. U. Center

The Baptist Student Union have just recently moved into their new center just off the campus on Second street. The Cook apartment building has been remodeled into a modified Southern Colonial type structure with a large chapel, large enough to seat over 200 persons, added at the rear of the building.

The building was a joint project of the District Eight Baptist Convention and the Louisiana Baptist Convention. The completed project is valued at \$80,000. It contains a lounge, prayer room, kitchen, office, library, work room, BSU council room, combined chapel-recreational area, and apartment for the Director. It has central heating and air-conditioning.

Dedication of the building was held Sunday, February 17. Dr. G. Kearnie Keegan, A. B. '27, Southside Baptist Student Director, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, delivered the dedicatory address. Dr. Keegan was a student at Northwestern at the time the first B. S. U. was or-

ganized at the College, and assisted in the organization. It was eminently fitting that he should be invited to dedicate the new center.

The building was designed by E. P. Dobson, Jr., B. S. '47, and Oscar Butler, architects.

Following the dedication program, in which numerous district and state officers had a part, the entire building was opened for inspection for all present.

ALL STUDENT RELIGIOUS GROUPS HOUSED OFF CAMPUS

Formerly housed in the Religious Center on the campus, all student religious groups now have off-campus housing. The Newman Club (Catholic Student Center, which was pictured in the Alumni Columns two or three years ago) is housed in commodious quarters on Second Street just across from the new B. S. U. center. The Wesley Foundation (Methodist Student Center) occupies the former home of Misses Catherine and Mary Winters on College Avenue. The Westminster Club (Presbyterian Student Center) is located on Sec-

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RUSSELL LIBRARY GETS 100,000TH BOOK

Pictured below are Dr. Eugene P. Watson, Librarian, Mr. Carroll Bennett, Order Librarian, and President John S. Kyser looking over the 100,000th book to be placed in the Scharlie E. Russell Memorial Library.

The title of the book is "The Empire That Missouri Pacific Serves." It is a gift of the publisher, Missouri Pacific Lines.

Dr. Watson stated that the first book to be received by the N. S. C. Library was Adam Smith's "Wealth of Nations," published in 1818 and acquired by Louisiana State Normal School Library on November 5, 1885.

"Wealth of Nations" is now kept in the rare books collection. A gift of the Commercial Library in New Orleans, it was rebound in 1925.

The 100,000th book was published this year and has been placed in the reading shelves alongside hundreds of other recent books on many subjects.



AT WORK ON HEART FUND PROJECT



Pictured above are two Northwestern students working on a research project for the Louisiana Heart Fund. These students are Dan Lucius, standing, and Richard Lepore. They are the recipients of a financial grant from the Heart Fund which pays for all the materials used in the research project.

The Louisiana Heart Association was the first state association to set up these grants, which were first offered about five years ago. Since that time many other states have followed suit in making research grants available.

The purpose of these grants is to encourage and stimulate students at the undergraduate level to become interested in research in the hope that such research work will be continued later by these young scientists, particularly in the fields of cardiovascular problems and medicine.

Lucius and Lepore, Pre-Medical students, are engaged in the study of blood count, both red and white, in unhatched chicken embryos. A daily check is made to determine the rate of increase of the blood count, and to determine at what stages of the development of the embryo these increases are most dormant and most rapid.

Lucius and Lepore are conducting the second such research project by students at N. S. C. Russell McInnis, B. S. '55, was the first student to receive a research grant from the Louisiana Heart Association. He worked on a similar project.

Research projects of this type

BASKETBALL TEAM HAS 11-13 RECORD

Playing four of the last six games on the road since our last report, the Demon basketball team has won three and lost three of the last six games. This brings their season's total to 11 wins and 13 losses.

In conference play, the Demons have a 2-5 record, which places them in fifth place in the Gulf States Conference. There are three conference games yet to be played, and the Demons have an outside chance to break even for the season.

Results of the last games played are as follows: North Texas State at Denton, N. S. C. 86, N. T. S. 81; Centenary at Shreveport, N. S. C. 85, Centenary 93; McNeese State at Lake Charles, N. S. C. 55, McNeese State 82; Louisiana College at Natchitoches, N. S. C. 90, L. C. 85; Southwestern Louisiana Institute at Lafayette, N. S. C. 58, S. L. I. 72; Louisiana Tech at Natchitoches, N. S. C. 56, La. Tech 13.

In the game with Louisiana College, the score shifted back and forth throughout the game, with the Demons moving out in front in the closing minutes to take the win.

Against Louisiana Tech, Coach Thomas threw a different starting line-up against the Bulldogs and

are carried on under the guidance of members of the Biology Department faculty.

started a back-court press early in the game. The Demons moved out in front and were never headed. Control ball was featured throughout the game, with Crukovic and Wicker controlling the rebounds.

Captain Dick Brown did not get into the game until the latter part of the first half. He had been a starter in every game played this season. After the "shock troops" had built up a comfortable lead, Brown went into the game with six minutes left in the half. He made 1 point in the first half and 20 points in the second half to lead the Demon scoring column. This brought his individual scoring record to 163 points for the season and the total of 1,731 points for his career as a Demon.

Three conference games, one with red-hot Northeast Indians and a home-and-home pair with Southeastern Lions, will conclude the basketball schedule for the regular season. The Gulf States Tournament will be an added attraction on March 5-9, with G. S. C. champions McNeese State of Lake Charles as host team.

B. S. U. CENTER —

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ond Street, adjacent to the Presbyterian Church. The Canterbury Club (Episcopal students) meet in the Episcopal Parish House on Second Street.

The old Religious Center is now used to house the Special Education offices and the Superintendent of Building and Grounds offices.

FORENSIC TROPHIES FOR N. S. C. TOURNEYS

Joan Davis of Zwolle, President of the Forensic Club at Northwestern State, is pictured below with the forensic trophies that have been and will be awarded at forensic tournaments at the College this year.

Just completed is the high school tournament involving debates and individual events in which were entered 129 debate teams and 760 entries in individual events.

Sweepstakes in the senior division went to San Jacinto High School, Houston, Texas, with Jesuit High School of Dallas taking second place and Bolton High School of Alexandria placing third. In the junior division San Jacinto High School again won first place, Byrd High School of Shreveport won second, and Jesuit High School of Dallas took third place.

In the Senior Men's Debate Bolton High School won first place, and Jesuit High School placed first in the junior division. Newman High School of New Orleans won first place in Senior Women's Debate, and Mt. Carmel Academy, also of New Orleans, won the junior division.

The College Tournament in Forensics will be held on the campus on March 21-23. All the colleges and universities in the south and southwest have been extended an invitation to participate in this event. It is expected that this year's tournament will be larger than any previous college tournament on the campus.



ALUMNI Here N' There

A copy of the program for the Commencement Exercises of the University of Arkansas, January 26, 1957, listed seven graduates of Northwestern State College as receiving the Master of Education Degree.

Those listed and their particular field of study were Herbert H. Dawkins, Jr., Educational Administration; Kathryn Cardneau Grant, Elementary Education; Milstead Lazime Grant, Educational Administration; Dorothy Braud Hillman, Secondary Education; R. D. Skains, Jr., Educational Administration; O. A. Slater, Jr., Educational Administration; and Olian Ocie Warner, Educational Administration.

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A letter from Ellen Lee Bridewell Elliott, A. B. '39, Utica, New York, expresses her thanks for the Alumni Columns. She stated: "Occasionally we hear from John or Ruth Makar and we still get a Christmas card from the Kysers but most of the news comes through your paper."

"It is hard to believe that the freshman I remember has become the Erbon Wise pictured in the December Columns. 'Ladd' Alexander certainly looks like his father."

"The story you printed about Rags Turpin was excellent. I remember him with real affection because I was no star in his gym

Louie C. Higgins



Louie C. Higgins, former student from Jranio, is a Naval Aviation Cadet who graduated from the Navy's Pre-Flight School at Pensacola, Florida, on January 11.

He is now assigned to Soufley Field Naval Auxiliary Air Station, also at Pensacola, for primary flight training.

classes but he was considerate . . ."

Mrs. Elliott and her husband, Edwin P. Elliott, have two sons (Edwin, Jr., and Francis Maxom). Mr. Elliott is Minister of Christian Education at First Presbyterian Church of Utica, and Mrs. Elliot is Director of Christian Education.

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A note from Donald Stephenson, A. B. '55, states that he is now stationed in Germany, Hq. Co., 382nd M. P. Bn., A. P. O. 28, New York, N. Y., and has been missing the Alumni Columns since his transfer.

He wrote: "I am at present stationed outside Heidelberg, Germany. This country is very beautiful. I have tried to see as much as possible. This past weekend I went to Paris and had a very enjoyable time." (Ed. note: How could anyone visit Paris and not have a good time?)

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Miss Mary Stella Ward, A. B. '49, of 506 Monroe Street, Natchez, Mississippi, is a member of the staff of the Fisk Public Library in Natchez. She writes to correct her mailing address so she will continue to receive the Alumni Columns.

Miss Ward formerly worked in the Lafourche Parish Library at Thibodaux, and with the Special Services at Camp Leroy Johnson, New Orleans.

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Miss Mildred Maitland "Sue" Hughes, A. B. '56, is working on her Master's Degree at the University of Washington. Her ad-

Karen Walsh



Karen Walsh, two years of age, is the lovely young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garrett H. Walsh of Zwolle. The mother is the former Patricia Leone, B. S. '51, who taught in the Zwolle High School for three years after graduation. She is now playing the part of the housewife and mother. Mr. Walsh is a forester for Sobine Lumber Company in Zwolle.

Eleanor Littell



Mathilde Estorge



Photos courtesy of Opelousas (La.) Daily World

Two retired teachers of the Opelousas Schools—Miss Eleanor Littell, left, and Miss Mathilde Estorge, right—were honored recently at a reception at Opelousas.

Both Miss Littell and Miss Estorge are graduates of the old Normal School, having finished in 1910 and 1911, respectively.

dress is 105 McKee Hall, U. of Wash., Seattle, Washington.

Miss Hughes worked in the Elementary School Library at Northwestern during the spring semester, 1957.

She has had the rather unique experience of attending a great number and variety of schools in her undergraduate work. A graduate of Fremont Union High School at Cupertino, California, she attended San Jose State, Biarritz American University, Biarritz, France, and University of Arkansas prior to coming to Northwestern State College, where she received her Bachelor of Arts Degree at the end of the fall semester of the 1956-57 session.

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Mrs. Donald J. Witter (Margie McLean, ex-'40) of 7178 Buena Vista, Prairie Village, Kansas, writes to find if there are other graduates in the Kansas City area. She would be delighted to get in touch with them.

Mrs. Witter has three children—William McLean (Mac), 5, Karan, 4, and Jimmy, 1. Her husband is employed with Black and Veatch, Consulting Engineers.

Any graduates or former students in the area are urged to contact Mrs. Witter.

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A letter from Mrs. Garrett H. Walsh (Patricia Leone, B. S. '51), of Zwolle, brings some information about two alumni not on our active mailing list. (We lost their proper address.) She stated: "Perhaps some will be interested to know that Eunice Eden Ingles (A. B. '52), and her husband (C. J. Ingles) are now living in La

Cieba, Honduras. They have three adorable children. Anne Freeze Paugh (Mrs. Tom), B. S. '51, is now located at 11 Columbus Avenue, Glen Ridge, New Jersey. Tom is associate editor of *Sports Afield Magazine* in New York.

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Mrs. George H. Wilhelm, 1318 West Maynard Drive, St. Paul 16, Minnesota, writes that she has at last settled down in one spot long enough to get a mailing address for the Columns. Mrs. Wilhelm is the former Peggy Casemore, B. A. in Art, '49, of New Orleans.

She said, in part: "After having a dozen different addresses between Europe and Ann Arbor, Michigan, in the past eight years, I have finally settled down at the opposite end of the Mississippi River from whence I started. . . ."

"This is one Rebel who has gone simply wild over the winter sports in the northland. We both ski and skate, and hope to rear another skier (Scott)."

We hope to have Scott's picture to run in a later issue of the Columns.

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Malcolm E. Thomas, B. A. '49, of Monroe, is now located at 415 East Ocean Avenue, Lompoc, California.

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Mrs. Betty Maricle Walker, B. S. '50, writes in to change her address from Mississippi State College for Women, Columbus, to Point Rock, North Carolina. She stated that since her marriage in June, she and her husband are living at Wolf Creek, Tennessee, but her mailing address is as above.

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SEVENTH ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL TOUR AUGUST 3-27

The Department of Social Sciences will conduct their seventh annual educational summer tour this year. The tour will begin on August 3 and end on August 27, a 25-day tour through twelve states and two provinces of Canada.

Traveling through the great plains region, the Black Hills, Yellowstone National Park, Glacier National Park, Lake Louise, Vancouver, Columbia River and Snake River areas, Crater Lake, Salt Lake City, over Monarch Pass and through the Royal Gorge, the trip will cover some of the most beautiful, scenic, and historic spots of the great northwest country.

Six semester hours of undergraduate or three hours of graduate credit may be earned in Geography if desired. The cost of the tour is set at \$249, which includes all expenses except meals.

A \$50 deposit is required for reservation on the tour. Deadline for reservations is July 25.

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Mrs. Walker taught Home Economics in Calcasieu Parish and also taught at MSCW prior to her marriage.

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Mrs. Frankie R. Corley, A. B. '56, who has been teaching at Marshall, Texas, has recently become Mrs. George Truitt Latham and now resides at 3502 Gaspar Drive, Dallas, Texas. Her husband will be remembered by many former students as "Red" Latham, a former basketball player on the Louisiana Tech team in the late '40's and early '50's.

Mr. and Mrs. Latham are planning to return to Louisiana this year, as Mr. Latham expects to get into the coaching field in the public schools.

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Leon Basco, B. S. '49, Industrial Arts teacher at Homer High School, was named Homer's "Man of the Year" and was presented a distinguished service plaque at the annual Junior Chamber of Commerce banquet. Presentation of the award was made by H. W. Whatley, principal of Homer High School.

Basco was given the award on

the basis of his service with the Boy Scouts, his service to his church, his service to the Kiwanis Club, and his outstanding teaching service. He is married to the former Helen Alexander, ex-'49, and they have two sons, Steve, 7, and Tommy, 3.

Cupid's Doings

Miss NADINE LUCILLE WILSON, of Shreveport, and LAMY JEAN CHOPIN, JR., of Natchitoches, both students at the College, were married at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Shreveport on December 27, the Rev. F. Patrick Donahoe officiating at the double-ring ceremony. The young couple are making their home in Natchitoches.

Miss Lennie Belle Moses, of DeRidder, and KENNETH REID HANCHEY, JR., former student, also of DeRidder, were married at the First Methodist Church of DeRidder on December 30. The young couple will live at Rapid City, South Dakota, where Mr. Hanchey is stationed at Ellsworth Air Force Base.

Miss CAROL LYNNE BROWN, former student, and Richard Paul Grigsby, both of Bossier City, were married in the First Presbyterian Church of Bossier City on February 9. The newlyweds will make their home in Baton Rouge and continue their studies at LSU.

Miss MARY FRANCES BOWIE, student, of Natchitoches, and Ernest Lee Carter, of Monroe, were married at Trinity Episcopal Church of Natchitoches on January 31. They will make their home in Monroe, where both plan to attend Northeast State College.

Miss NELLIE JOYCE MORGAN, A. B. '55, of Shongaloo, and Max Bauer, of Texarkana, Ark., were united in marriage at Old Shongaloo Methodist Church on December 28, with Rev. W. P. Cassels performing the double-ring ceremony.

Miss Fairie Jean Powell, of Haynesville, and ROBERT LEROY FARRAR, student, of Shreveport, were married in late January at Waskom, Texas, with Rev. C. B. George officiating. Following Robert's graduation, the young couple will live in Shreveport.



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